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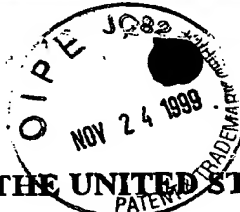
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ASSIGNMENT

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WHEREAS, We, Koenraad Hilaire Maria Goethals, a Belgium citizen, residing at Bollewerkstraat 85, B-9031 Gent, Belgium, Mondher El Jaziri, a Belgium citizen, residing at Place de la Gare 10, B-1150 Woluwe Saint Pierre, Belgium; and Marc Charles Ernest Van Montagu, a Belgium citizen, residing at De Stassartstraat 120, B-1050 Brussels, Belgium, have invented certain new and useful improvements in a PLANT MICROPROPAGATION AND GERMPASM STORAGE for which we have executed an application for Letters Patent in the United States, originally filed as International Application No PCT/EP98/01117 which was filed 19 February 1998;


AND WHEREAS, VLAAMS INTERUNIVERSITAIR INSTITUUT VOOR BIOTECHNOLOGIE with its principal place of business at Rijvisschestraat 118, Bus 1, D-9052 Zwijnaarde, Belgium, and UNIVERSITE' LIBRE DE BRUXELLES with its principal place of business at Avenue F.D. roosevelt 50, B. 1050 Brussels, Belgium, (hereinafter "ASSIGNEES"), desire to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said improvements and the said Application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said inventors, do hereby acknowledge that we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEES, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest throughout the world in, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said ASSIGNEES, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

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